

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

July 6, 2025

Song: **529** – *My Hope is Built on Nothing Less*

Song: **566** – *We Shall See the King*

First prayer: **Larry Simmons**

Song: **89** – *‘Tis Set, the Feast Divine*

Communion servers: **Chrishawn Thompson & Mark Brandt**

Prayer for giving: **Shane Upton**

Song: **706** – *Love Lifted Me*

Sermon: “A Religious Odor” (2 Cor. 2:12-17) – **David Ray**

Invitation song: **411** – *Just As I Am*

Closing song: **524** – *Just Over in the Glory Land*

Closing prayer: **Mernie Ray**

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- Kathy Ray (Mernie’s sister) – eyesight
- Kim’s cousin’s son (Isaac Wood)–hole in heart caused by stroke (upcoming surgery)
- Our nation (1 Tim. 2:2)
- Our members with health issues: Kim, David

**Please continue to remember:** Connie Townsend, Lucinda, Vipin & family, India work, Aruna Kavali, Marinda Breeding, Holley Brewer, Kevin Brewer, Dylan Walker

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- “Precept Upon Precept” is a YouTube channel with many sermons/articles from faithful brethren ([www.youtube.com/@preceptuponprecept8495](http://www.youtube.com/@preceptuponprecept8495))

### RECORD FOR WEEK OF JUNE 29, 2025

#### ATTENDANCE:

Bible Class – 13    AM Worship – 23    Sun PM – 15    DBR – 10    Wed (7/2) – 14

Contribution – \$1766

# *Yukon Church of Christ*

## **THE LABORER**

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**Sunday Bible class:** 9am    **Worship** 10am & 12:30pm    **Wednesday Bible class:** 7pm

**Matthew 9:37-38** “The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest.”

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## **A MEMORABLE LESSON ON GOSSIP**

A guest had said upon leaving, “I like to come here. It's the only place I can say anything I want to, knowing it will go no further.” The compliment should have gone to my mother. One day when I was about eight, I was playing beside an open window while Mrs. Brown confided to mother a serious problem concerning her son. When Mrs. Brown had gone, my mother, realizing I had heard everything, said, “If Mrs. Brown had left her purse here today, would we give it to anyone else?” “Of course not,” I replied. Mother continued, “Mrs. Brown left something more precious than her pocketbook today. She left a story that could make many people unhappy. That story is not ours to give away. It is hers, even though she left it here. So, we shall not give it to anyone. Do you understand?” I did, and I have understood ever since that a confidence or a bit of careless gossip which a friend has left at my house is his, and not mine to give away!

Author unknown

# REDUNDANT CHURCHES

I was recently reading an article in a British magazine that was talking about “redundant churches.” The article had reference to church buildings of various denominations that were no longer in use for religious services as there was no congregation meeting there. The use of the word *redundant* is common in Great Britain. When a company needs to downsize it declares numbers of its workforce to be “redundant.” The workers are laid off as being “surplus to requirements.” Usually, there is a “severance package” that they are given to help them financially. However, as I read the term, *redundant churches*, some thoughts came to mind.

First, Jesus promised: “And I also say also unto thee, that thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it” (Mat. 16:18). Jesus promised to build one church and only one. Thus any other church than that which Jesus built is “redundant.” It is not necessary and is “surplus to requirements.” Such would be true of each and every one of the thousands of man-made churches, each teaching and practicing different and contrary doctrines that are indeed not part of “the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints” (Jude 3). Just think what it would be like in each community if the only churches that existed were those that were faithful congregations of the Lord’s church. Jesus also taught: “Every plant, which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up” (Mat. 15:13). Thus, there will surely come a time when our Lord will declare each man-made church to be “redundant,” and He will dispose of them at The Judgment.

Also, I thought about the fact that some religious groups that were once faithful congregations of the Lord’s church are also “redundant.” They are “redundant” because they have ceased to be cities set on a hill (Mat. 5:14). They are no longer sending forth the pure light of the Gospel as they have espoused damnable error and no longer “earnestly contend for the faith which was once for all delivered unto the saints” (Jude 3). Over the last half-century many congregations that once stood “four-square” for the Truth now reject the very Truth said congregations espoused when they

were established. They are just like denominational churches in so many ways and no longer proclaim the pure Jerusalem Gospel.

In recent years we have seen congregations that were recognized as bastions of Truth that have now turned from a faithful stand and are fellowshiping the purveyors of error rather than exposing their error. They would rather have fellowship with false teachers than with those who would stand fast in the Truth they once espoused. Some have even withdrawn fellowship from faithful brethren who would dare to stand against their perverted teachings. Sadly, some of these congregations are those who oversee schools of preaching. Thus they are turning out preachers who are not preaching all the Truth and are fellowshiping error. These congregations, unless they repent, will all find that they have been declared “redundant” by the Lord.

Brethren, as a congregation, we need to be sure that we are faithful in our obligations to the Lord so that we will not be declared “redundant” by Him.

Ken Chumbley

## What Must I Do to Be Saved?

1. **HEAR THE WORD**  
**Romans 10:17** – “So then faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God.”
2. **BELIEVE IN JESUS**  
**John 3:16** – “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” **John 8:24** – “...if ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins.”
3. **REPENT OF YOUR SINS**  
**Luke 13:3** – “...except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.” **Acts 17:30** – “And the times of this ignorance God overlooked, but now commandeth all men everywhere to repent.” **2 Corinthians 7:10** – “For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death.”
4. **CONFESS THAT JESUS IS LORD**  
**Romans 10:9-10** – “if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.” (Also **Matthew 10:32-33**; see **Acts 8:37** for an example.)
5. **BE BAPTIZED FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF YOUR SINS**  
**Mark 16:16** – “He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved”; **Acts 2:38** – “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins...”; **Acts 22:16** – “Arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord”; **1 Peter 3:21** – “...baptism doth also now save us...”
6. **REMAIN FAITHFUL**  
**1 Corinthians 15:58** – “Therefore...be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord”; **Colossians 1:23** – “...if ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard”; **Revelation 2:10** – “Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.”

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